building at a cost of Rs. 2,000. The Member prayed that the Government might be pleased to take up the building and conduct the school or that a substantial grant might be sanctioned in aid of the institution.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

149. Needs of the Mavelikara taluk.

Mr. K. G. Madhavan (Member, Nominated) referred to the following needs of the Mavelikara taluk and prayed that the same might receive the early attention of the Government:—

(1) The establishment of an English school for girls.

(2) The early completion of the new building for locating the Munsiff's Court.

(3) The establishment of a College at Mavelikara for the benefit of the whole of Central Travancore.

(4) Rendering assistance to the people of the taluk, especially the ryots of Onattukara, by affording them better facilities for paddy cultivation.

(5) The removal of the encroachments on the tributaries of the Kulakkada river and the vesting of the power to effect such removals in the canal on the P. W. Department, instead of the Land Revenue Department.

(6) The construction of a bridge over the Kuripuzha *thodu*, half a furlong west of the Kuripuzha bridge.

(7) The establishment of an Agricultural School near the Experimental Farm.

(8) Encouraging and helping the weaving industry recently started by private enterprise.

(9) Sanctioning grant-in-aid to a private dispensary started for curing snake-bite.

(10) Metalling a part of the road lying to the west of Chettikulangara temple and extending it to a point between Kuripuzha and Pathiyur bridges.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

150. Needs of the Ettumanur taluk.

Mr. R. Narayana Pillai (Member, Ettumanur taluk) made the following requests and prayed that the Government might be pleased to grant the same:—

(1) The condition of education was backward in the taluk. The Lower Grade Secondary school in the taluk should be raised to the standard of a High School.

(2) A dispensary should be established near the Sub-Registry Office at Kaduthuruthi; or, if that was not possible, the Hospital Assistant at the Vaikom Hospital might be asked to stay three days in the week at Kaduthuruthi to examine and treat patients. A mid-wife should also be permanently sanctioned for Kaduthuruthi.

(3) The abandoned irrigation canals at Kaduthuruthi should be improved. The people were sure to co-operate and render every assistance. The Director of Agriculture and Fisheries should be asked to inspect and report on the condition of other canals which could not be easily improved. The Government should give to the ryots free of cost the *kole* teak required for making bridges, bunds, etc., for storing water in the summer season for agricultural purposes.

(4) The three feet trace from the Pala road to Thalayolaparambu Market passing through Pulluvattom, Kattamppakku and Gneezhoor should be made a public road.

(5) The *punja* cultivation suffered badly on account of the failure to put up bunds at the proper time to prevent the entry of brackish water into the paddy fields. If the fund sanctioned for the purpose was entrusted to the Ettumanur Taluk

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